

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY LISBON  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2260  
INFO AMCONSUL BELIZE  
AMEMBASSY BRIDGETOWN  
AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS  
AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA  
AMEMBASSY LONDON  
AMEMBASSY PRETORIA  
AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

C O N F I D E N T I A L LISBON 5559

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MASS PFOR BE PO GT BH  
SUBJECT: PORTUGUESE ARMS SHIPMENTS

REFS: (A) BRUSSELS 8219, (B) LISBON 5517 (NOTAL),  
(C) LISBON 4173, (D) IR 6-879-0220-77, (E) IR 6-879-0161-76

1. NEW SHIPMENT TO GUATEMALA: JULY 16 LISBON PRESS  
REPORTED THAT PORTUGAL ON JULY 15 HAD SENT A NEW SHIPMENT  
OF MUNITIONS TO GUATEMALA FROM THE TRAFARIA EXPLOSIVES  
FACTORY (REF A). THE REPORT STATED THAT THE SHIPMENT  
WAS THE FOURTH OR FIFTH IN AN EXISTING CONTRACT WITH  
GUATEMALA. TWO MILLION 5.56 CALIBER BULLETS, PACKED  
IN 1,000 CASES WEIGHING 29,000 KILOGRAMS, WAS REPORTEDLY  
SHIPPED ON A TIA SUPER DC-8 CHARTERED BY THE GUATEMALAN  
GOVERNMENT. THE PRESS REPORT ACKNOWLEDGED THAT AN  
EARLIER SHIPMENT HAD BEEN SEIZED IN BARBADOS AND  
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STATED THAT ADDITIONAL TRAFARIA SHIPMENTS WERE  
SCHEDULED FOR GUATEMALA.

2. SOUTH AFRICAN DENIAL: THE PORTUGUESE ARMED  
FORCES STAFF DENIAL OF ARMS SHIPMENTS TO SOUTH  
AFRICA, REPORTED REF B, FOCUSED ON ARMS SHIPMENTS  
UNDER U.S. LICENSE. DENIAL DID NOT ADDRESS SUBJECT

OF AMMUNITION. EMBASSY HAS REPORTED EARLIER ON  
SHIPMENT OF AMMUNITION TO SOUTH AFRICA (REFS C,D,E).  
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